



Chester County  
**UNITED WAY**

# INVESTING IN OUR COMMUNITY

Our vision for Chester County is a community where all residents have opportunities to achieve a vibrant and healthy quality of life. Last fiscal year, our total community investment was nearly **\$1.6 million** through grants to agencies, special initiative funding and donor designations. Below is a brief overview of our impact:

- **132,177** Chester County residents were assisted through our programs and partnerships
- **3,677** tax returns were prepared through the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program (VITA), generating an economic impact of more than **\$4.2 million**
- **60** successful Mobile Home Tax Reassessment appeals completed, bringing the total to 1,052 reassessments
- **286** individuals received financial coaching, counseling, and other supportive services from our Financial Stability Center
- **35** local organizations were funded to help strengthen our community
- **47** unique organizations utilized our building space, saving them an estimated total of **\$92,566** in rental fees and related expenses
- **22** students graduated from Leadership Chester County and gained valuable business, leadership and entrepreneurial skills
- **\$254,000** raised for our Community Impact & Innovation Fund through special events, Live United in Music & Annual Golf Classic

We are proud of the work we accomplished, but know there is more work to be done. Learn how you can help us accomplish our mission and get involved by visiting [www.ChescoUnitedWay.org](http://www.ChescoUnitedWay.org).

## COMMUNITY IMPACT & INNOVATION FUND

ALICE remains our target population. These are working families and individuals with income above the Federal Poverty Level, but not high enough to afford basic household necessities. Below are the essential categories that we provided funding for through our Community Impact & Innovation Fund:



**FINANCIAL STABILITY/  
BASIC NEEDS**



**FOOD  
INSECURITY**



**MENTAL &  
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**



**SENIORS**



**HOUSING &  
HOMELESSNESS**



**SPECIAL  
INITIATIVES**

### GRANT RECIPIENT HIGHLIGHT: WEST CHESTER FOOD CUPBOARD

Alex was struggling to keep up with basic living expenses, including transportation and food, putting their job and housing at risk. With support from a United Way funded program, they now receive regular food assistance.

Alex shared, "because of the food I receive, I can afford my car payments. Because I have a car, I can keep my job. Because I have a job, I can pay my rent."

This support has helped Alex maintain transportation, employment, and housing, providing stability and independence.